DR. H. PARAMESWARAN ; (*a*) 48,000 approximately.

(*b*) 11,05,92,000 yards approximately.

(*c*) Yes.

(*d*) The following steps have been taken :—

1. Technical advice is given free.
2. Instruction is imparted in up to date methods of weaving, use of modern designs, etc.
3. Industrial loans are granted for purchase of looms yarn, etc.
4. Instruction is given by the Itinerant Weaving Party at various centres.
5. Grants-in-aid are awarded to Weaving Schools.

Bribery and corruption among officials.

562 *MR. P. M. VARGHESE : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether the latest measures adopted by them to prevent bribery and corruption among officials are proved effective ;

(*b*) whether any case of delinquency has been discovered by the new measures ; and

(*c*) if so, how many ?

MR. G. NARAYANAN TAMPI : (*a*), (*b*) & (*c*) Government have recently re-issued compulsory rules for the conduct of Government servants. They have taken action against delinquents whenever the charges against them have been proved.

No statistics have been maintained as to the action taken.

Candidates for Overseas Studies.

563 *MR. K. G. KESAVAN NAIR : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) the number of candidates selected by the Government for special studies in overseas countries in connection with the post-war reconstruction scheme ;

(*b*) who selected them ;

(*c*) how many of them have left India ;

(*d*) how many of them are going to England ;

(*e*) how many to America ;

(*f*) who is to meet their expenses ;

(*g*) the amount earmarked by Government for the expenses of such selected candidates ;

(*h*) whether any of them has returned to Travancore after training in overseas countries ; and

(*i*) whether they are to be employed in the Government service after their return to Travancore ?

MR. C. KUMARA DAS (*Secretary to Government*) : (*a*) 27.

(*b*) Various Boards were appointed to select panels of candidates for training in different subjects. Government made the selection from the panels selected by the Board.

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